

# WØMTL—**Hannibal Amateur Radio Club News**—WØKEM

## APRIL 2020



### 2020 HARC OFFICERS

**PRESIDENT: DON VARY, KDØHHN -- V-PRES: DAVE MILAM, KBØRZN**

**TREASURER: LARRY LAUER, WB2UFO**

**SECRETARY:**

**TRUSTEE: CLIFF AHRENS, KØCA**

**EDITOR: DON VARY, KDØHHN**

**EDITOR EMERITUS: BONNIE SINCLAIR, WBØWAP**

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### NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:

**April 8, 2020**

### **IMPORTANT INFO!!!!**

**Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the April meeting will be held on the 146.625 repeater, April 8, 2020 at 7:00PM. All meetings for the immediate future will be held on 625.**

### H.A.R.C. NEW, PERMANENT MEETING LOCATION

**Marion County Ambulance District Base 1: 3120 Highway 61 North, Hannibal, MO**

**From Hannibal, Points South, East and West: Route 61 North to the traffic light at intersection of 61 and 168. Through the light (North). First turn off to the Right is the entrance to Luthor Manor adult facility. Turn there, then take immediate Right turn. As you approach the Ambulance Base, take the first driveway, follow it down to lower parking lot. Go through door and training room/meeting room is to your right.**

**From Palmyra, and points North. Take 61 South towards Hannibal. Just before you get to the 61/168 intersection, there will be a turn lane to the left for the entrance to Luthor Manor. Take the Left turn, then make the immediate right turn and follow the directions above.**

**Park in the Lower Lot ONLY !!!!**

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**MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST – APRIL 2020**

**KDØHHN DON**

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE !!!!**

**Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, VE testing will be suspended for the foreseeable future. We will advise you when the testing resumes.**

**SCHEDULED FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2020**

**DATES FOR 2020 :**

**JULY 8, 2020 ???  
OCTOBER 14, 2020**

Registration is requested at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Larry Lauer at [Larry@alauer.com](mailto:Larry@alauer.com) or 573-406-0383. If enough VE's are present at the meeting night, any walk ins will be able to test that evening

The 2020 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

Exams will take place at 8:00 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting.

**WALK INS ARE WELCOME.**

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**HARC CLUB DUES:**

**HARC annual dues are due each January. The dues are very important and are needed to keep repeaters up and running, plus other expenses of the club. The yearly dues fee is \$20.00 per member, & \$5.00 for each additional family member. You can pay at club meetings, or send the money to HARC, P.O. Box 1522 Hannibal Mo, 63401. Thanks!!**

**HARC MINUTES FOR MEETING****HANNIBAL AMATEUR RADIO****CLUB MEETING****MARCH 11, 2020****CALLED TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Don (KDØHHN) at 7PM with 10 members and 1 guest present. The guest, Laura Good Buffalo, is from Hannibal, recently attended the Storm Spotter class and has been thinking about getting her license. She has been studying and is planning to take her test in the near future. Good luck Laura!!

**PROPOSALS FOR MEMBERSHIP:**

None

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

There was no meeting last month due to the weather, so the only minutes available were from December 2019, which was the last meeting held. A motion was made by Ken, (KEØKCQ), seconded by Dave (W9WE) to accept those minutes. The motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Larry (WB2UFO) read the treasurer's report for the month:

Last Month Ending Balance	\$2,197.51
This Month Ending Balance	\$ 2,327.51
Petty Cash on Hand	\$ 40.00
CD Balance	<u>\$1,332.60</u>
Total Assets	\$3,700.11

A motion was made by Dave (W9WE), seconded by Ken (KEØKCQ) to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. The motion carried.

### **REPEATERS:**

No problems noted, both are working good. We need someone to take Vern (W5UYF SK) place. Need some knowledge of the repeaters and willing to take initiative and work with Tommy from A&W. Anyone interested, see me. Cliff (KØCA) mentioned that John (NØJA) might be able to help when he gets back from Louisiana. Also, Sue Killion came in before the meeting and said that there would be a Celebration of Life for Vern, Thursday March 19 at 2:00PM at Hansen-Speer Funeral Home in Quincy. All are invited.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

We are still looking for someone to take the position of Secretary. The main duties are taking the minutes of the meeting and sending them to me for the newsletter. If we do not have a volunteer soon, I will appoint someone.

Club dinner – Don (KDØHHN) and his XYL went to the former Golden Corral to check it out. They still have the buffet, which has not really changed. The online menu says that you can order a steak, with sides and the salad bar, but the cashier said that was not true, Service was not that great, and nowhere near the crowds that used to be there. We will be checking other locations, with suggestions made for Fiddlesticks, and the Rebel Pig, in Palmyra. Will report back.

Dues – still have members who have not paid dues for this year. \$20.00 for single, family plan is \$20.00 for 1<sup>st</sup> member, \$5.00 for additional family members.

Storm spotter class – last one for our area is March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Class will be held in the auditorium at Culver-Stockton University in Canton MO. Don (KDØHHN) also mentioned that SEMA Region B (our area) is in the process of forming a spotter group for severe weather. They are planning to divide the region into 4 quadrants, ours will cover Marion, Ralls, Monroe and Shelby counties. If you are interested in being in this group, contact Don.

501(c)3- Don still checking into this, have been checking foundations that cover this area. Marion Co. has 21, Quincy has 450, so he is checking through them to see what areas they cover. This will determine if we proceed. Cliff (KØCA) reiterated that filing for this status moves the club to a different level of scrutiny by the IRS and other agencies. He also said that he would help if we were to proceed with an application. Don reported that he would wait to see what foundations/groups cover our area, and how much they donate a year, If there were a good number, and they donate quite a bit of money, then he would ask for club permission to proceed.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Member of the Year- Ed (NØWNV) had some suggestions for Member of the Year for the club for 2019. After some discussion, a motion was made by Ed (NØWNV) made a motion, seconded by Ken (KEØKCQ) to award Member of the Year to two members, but having their identities kept secret until the club dinner. The motion carried.

Field Day- We will be hosting the event this year. Don will contact Chief Nemes to see about using one of the other rooms as well for CW operations. We will need a new GOTA coach. Elizabeth (KEØKCT) has been transferred to a General Mills facility in Minnesota. She asked me to tell everyone, that she will miss everyone, and thanked the club for the ability to not only get her license, but to be a member of the club and to meet everyone she has over the past couple of years. Larry (WB2UFO) volunteered to take the GOTA position again. Don also said in light of the cancellation of the Dayton hamfest due to the COVID-19, he would be monitoring the ARRL website to see if and when they make a decision about Field Day.

Dave (W9WE) suggested that an email be sent to the Quincy club formally inviting them to participate with us again. Don said he would take care of it.

At this time Don (KDØHHN) asked Ed (NØWNV) to come forward and presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation for his 4 years of service as Vice-President of the club.

Dave (W9WE) said that the Quincy club was planning on having their hamfest again this year in Paloma. The date is Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> from 8am until noon. They will have testing on site, and vendors and tailgating, Cost for admission is \$7.00.

**50/50:**

Ken (KEØKCQ) won the 50/50 and donated it back to the club. Thanks Ken!

With no other business, a motion was made by Jody (KEØOAA) seconded by Dave (W9WE) to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

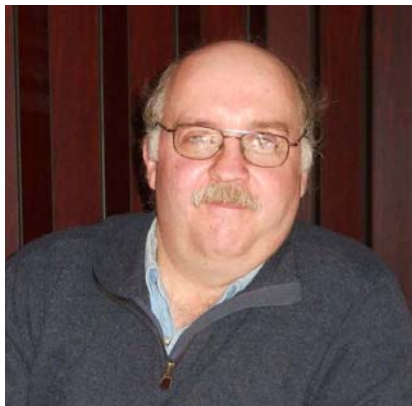
Donald Vary KDØHHN  
President

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**FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK**  
**BY DON VARY KDØHHN**



Hello everyone. Looks like we are living in interesting times. As I mentioned in the email I sent, effective immediately, our meetings will be done on the 625 repeater. This is due to the COVID-19 virus and the subsequent decision of the Marion County Ambulance District to restrict access to all facilities to essential personnel only. They have also cancelled their EMT and Paramedic classes and all ride-alongs until this passes. As I said at the meeting, with Dayton being cancelled, I will also watch the ARRL website to see if they decide to cancel Field Day for this year. As of this date, the CDC and other agencies are guesstimating at least a couple of months before this burns itself out.

In the meantime, all we can do is hope that we, or our loved ones are not infected with it. Follow CDC guidelines (washing hands, etc). and avoid large crowds, if possible. There have been cases reported all over the state, with fatalities in Columbia and St.Louis. There are also confirmed reports of cases in Moberly, as well as the major metropolitan areas. As I find out more, I will pass it along to you. Stay safe and I'll see you down the log.

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Don

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**Ed (NØWNV) receiving his Certificate of Appreciation from Don (KDØHHN)**



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**DX FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK  
BY LARRY LAUER WB2UFO**



Larry Lauer, WB2UFO

**Spring is here. Work them QRP from the park.**

**73 Larry  
WB2UFO**

**BOLIVIA, CP. Operators R7AL, RK8A, RW9JZ and RZ3K will be QRV as**

**CP6/home calls near Santa Cruz de la Sierra from March 24 to April 6. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and FT8 in DXpedition mode. QSL via operators' instructions.**

**FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, DA. Special event station DM30RSV will**

**be QRV from March 24 to October 30. QSL via bureau.**

**CAPE VERDE, D4. Max, IZ4DPV is QRV as D4F from Sao Vicente until**

**March 31. He will be active in the Russian DX contest and the upcoming CQ World Wide WPX SSB contest. QSL to home call.**

**MARTINIQUE, FM. Miguel, EA1BP will be QRV as FM/EA1BP from March 24**

**to 31. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide WPX SSB contest. QSL to home call.**

**CZECH REPUBLIC, OK. Special event stations OL700DKA, OL700CO and OL700LTV are QRV during 2020 to commemorate 700 years since the first written mention of the town of Dobruska. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL via operators' instructions.**

**SEYCHELLES, S7. Nick, G7EQM is QRV as S79EQM from Praslin Island, IOTA AF-024, until March 29. Activity is on 20 meters using SSB and FT8. QSL via operator's instructions.**

**EGYPT, SU. Tom, DL2RMC is QRV as SU9TH. Activity is currently on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL to home call.**

**NAMIBIA, V5. Pat, KI4SVM is QRV as V5/KI4SVM until March 28. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands using CW and SSB. This may include being active from SOTA references as well.**

**VANUATU, YJ. Chris, VK2YUS will be QRV as YJ0CA from Efate, IOTA OC-035, from March 22 to April 1. Activity will be on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide WPX SSB contest. QSL direct to home call.**

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